



PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 06478.1464

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Hubert METZNER et al.) Group Art Unit: 1752
Application No.: 10/052,469) Examiner: Hoa Van LE
Filed: January 23, 2002)
For: THE USE OF A HYDROGEN PEROXIDE)
PLASMA STERILIZATION METHOD)
FOR THE MILD STERILIZATION OF)
TEMPERATURE-SENSITIVE PRODUCTS)

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to reply to the
Office Action of October 2, 2003. A fee of \$950.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any
additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

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Respectfully submitted,

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